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AGENTS FOR THE CHINA MAIL.

LONDON:—F. ALGAR, 11 & 12, Clement's Lane, Lombard Street, E.C. GEORGE STREET & Co., 80, Cornhill. GORDON & GOTT, Ludgate Circus, E.C. BATES, HENDY & Co., 4, Old Bailey, E.C. SAMUEL DEACON & Co., 150 & 154, Leadenhall Street.

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Banks.

ORIENTAL BANK CORPORATION.
(Incorporated by Royal Charter.)

PAID-UP CAPITAL, £1,500,000.

RATES OF INTEREST ALLOWED ON DEPOSITS.
At 3 months' notice 3% per annum.
" 6 " " 4% " " "
" 12 " " 5% " " "

Current Accounts kept on Terms which may be learnt on application.
GEO. O. SCOTT,
Acting Manager.

Oriental Bank Corporation,
Hongkong, September 4, 1879.

CHARTERED BANK OF INDIA, AUSTRALIA, AND CHINA.

CAPITAL, £200,000.
RESERVE FUND, £100,000.

THE BANK OF ENGLAND.

THE CITY BANK.

THE NATIONAL BANK OF SCOTLAND.

THE BANK'S BRANCH in HONGKONG grants Drafts on London and the Chief Commercial places in Europe and the East; buys and receives for collection, Bills of Exchange, and conducts all kinds of Banking and Exchange Business.

RATES OF INTEREST ALLOWED ON DEPOSITS.

On CURRENT ACCOUNTS, 2 per cent. per annum on the daily balance.

On FIXED DEPOSITS.

For 3 months, 3 per cent. per annum.

" 6 " 4 per cent. " "

" 12 " 5 per cent. " "

WILLIAM FORREST,
Manager.

Hongkong, May 10, 1880.

NATIONAL BANK OF INDIA, LIMITED.

Registered in London under the Companies Act of 1862, on 23rd March, 1868.

Established in Calcutta 29th September, 1863.

SUBSCRIBED CAPITAL, £200,000.

PAID-UP CAPITAL, £100,000.

RESERVE FUND, £100,000.

HEAD OFFICE:—39A, Threadneedle Street, London, E.C.

LONDON BANKERS:—NATIONAL PROVINCIAL BANK OF ENGLAND, NATIONAL BANK OF SCOTLAND.

All descriptions of Banking and Exchange business transacted.

Interest allowed on CURRENT ACCOUNTS at the rate of 2 per cent. per annum on the daily balance; and on FIXED DEPOSITS according to arrangement—the maximum rate being 5 per cent. per annum.

R. HORNE ROYD,
Acting Manager.

Hongkong, May 24, 1880.

COMPTOIR D'ESCOMPTE DE PARIS.

(Incorporated 7th of 18th March, 1848.)

RECOGNISED BY THE INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION OF 30th April, 1862.

CAPITAL FULLY PAID-UP, £25,000,000.

RESERVE FUND, £200,000.

HEAD OFFICE:—14, Rue Brochez, PARIS.

AGENCIES AND BRANCHES at:

LONDON, BOULOGNE, SAN FRANCISCO, MARSEILLE, BOMBAY, HONGKONG, LYONS, CALCUTTA, HANKOW, NANTES, SHANGHAI, FOOCHOW, MELBOURNE.

LONDON BANKERS:—THE BANK OF ENGLAND, THE UNION BANK OF LONDON.

The Hongkong Agency receives Fixed Deposits on Terms to be ascertained on application, grants Drafts and Credits on all parts of the World, and transacts every description of Banking and Exchange Business.

E. G. VOULLEMONT,
Manager, Shanghai.

Hongkong, May 20, 1879.

Banks.

HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

PAID-UP CAPITAL, £5,000,000 Dollars.

RESERVE FUND, £1,500,000 Dollars.

COURT OF DIRECTORS.

Chairman—The Hon. W. KESWICK.

Deputy Chairman—A. McIVER, Esq.

ADONIS, Esq. H. H. FORBES, Esq.

R. R. BRILLIANT, Esq. H. HOPKINS, Esq.

H. L. DALRYMPLE, Esq. F. D. SARCOM, Esq.

W. S. YOUNG, Esq.

CHIEF MANAGER.

Hongkong, THOMAS JACKSON, Esq.

MANAGER.

Shanghai, EWEN CAMERON, Esq.

LONDON BANKERS:—London and County Bank.

HONGKONG.

INTEREST ALLOWED.

On Current Deposit Account at the rate of 2 per cent. per annum on the daily balance.

For Fixed Deposits:—

For 3 months, 3 per cent. per annum.

" 6 " 4 per cent. " "

" 12 " 5 per cent. " "

LOCAL BILLS DISCOUNTED.

Credits granted on approved Securities, and every description of Banking and Exchange business transacted.

Drafts, granted on London, and the chief Commercial places in Europe, India, Australia, America, China and Japan.

T. JACKSON,
Chief Manager.

Offices of the Corporation,
No. 1, Queen's Road East.

Hongkong, April 28, 1880.

Notices of Firms.

VICTORIA FOUNDRY.

WE, the Undersigned, having purchased the Lease and Plant of the above Foundry and Engineering Works, intend carrying on BUSINESS OF ENGINEERS, IRON AND BRASS FOUNDERS, &c., from this Date under the Style and Title of "FENWICK, MORRISON & Co."

GEO. FENWICK,
ROBT. MORRISON.

Victoria Foundry, Wanchai,
Hongkong, June 14, 1880.

THE Undersigned have been appointed AGENTS to the NEW YORK BOARD OF UNDERWRITERS.

ARNHOLD, KARBURG & Co.

RECORD OF AMERICAN AND FOREIGN SHIPPING.

Agents,

ARNHOLD, KARBURG & Co.

Hongkong, Sept. 3, 1879.

For Sale.

NOW READY.

A complete Reprint, in Pamphlet Form, (51 pages), of the proceedings in the RECENT LIBEL CASE OF

REGINA V. PITMAN,

containing the whole of the Proceedings at the Police Court, full report of the trial in Criminal Sessions, with connected Correspondence and comments of the Press.

Price per Copy, - - - 50 CENTS.

China Mail Office,
Hongkong, June 19, 1880.

JAPAN SELTZER WATER MANUFACTURED BY J. LLEWELLYN & Co. from JAPAN SPRING WATER.

STEAM AERATED WATER FACTORY, Shanghai.

Agents in Hongkong:—Messrs LANE, CRAWFORD & Co.

Hongkong, July 31, 1880.

FOR SALE.

RURAL BUILDING LOT No. 6.

Situate at the Junction of the MOUNT GOUGH and ABERDEEN NEW ROADS.

THIS LOT is the best and most convenient situated site on the southern slope of MOUNT GOUGH, and commands beautiful and extensive views in every direction. A Strong and Substantial BUNGALOW, with VERANDAH, is now in course of erection on the lot, the Walls of which will be of Concrete, and the Wood-work throughout of Teak and Manila Hardwood. There is also a splendid site on the Ground for a Large Tennis Lawn and Flower Garden.

Annual Crown Rent, \$18.00.

For further Particulars, &c., Apply to

SHARP & DANBY.

Hongkong, July 10, 1880.

FOR SALE.

J. L. MUMM & Co.'s CHAMPAGNE.

Quarts, 10 per doz. Case.

Pinks, 10 per doz. Case.

GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co.

Hongkong, February 2, 1880.

For Sale.

LANE, CRAWFORD & Co.

HAVE FOR SALE:—

NEW TEA, "CUMSHAW MIXTURE," in 5 and 10 Catty Boxes.

DEVON'S NONPAREIL KESWICK, tested to 180°.

NOVELS BY BRET HARTE & MARK TWAIN.

BOOKS BY BRET HARTE & MARK TWAIN.

MILK PUNCH.

CHAMPAGNES—POMMERY, ROEDERER, KOHNSTAMM, SAUMUR, CASTLE.

CLARETS—MEDOC, BONS COTES, ST. EMILION, ST. JULIEN.

MARGAUX, LA ROSE, LA TOUR, LAFITE, CASTLE, in Qts. & Pts.

SHERRIES—SACCAVO'S MANZANILLA, CASTLE, AMONTILLADO, BROWN.

BURGUNDIES—STILL and SPARKLING, RED and WHITE.

CHABLIS, SAUTERNE.

COWSLIP WINE.

SPARKLING MOSELE, in Quarts and Pints.

PORT—CASTLE B. D. J. and OUR OWN.

BRANDIES—HENNESSY'S, EXSHAW'S, CASTLE, and COGNAC.

GENEVA—VAN HOBOKEN DE BIE & Co.'s, in Red Cases.

GIN—BOURBON'S OLD TOM, BUNNETT'S UNSWEETENED.

WHISKIES—SBH, BULLOCK-LADE'S, KIRKMAN'S LL, CASTLE, BURKE'S.

SHIPCHANDLERY of all Descriptions.

ROPE—English Wire, Russian Hemp, MANILA.

CANVAS—T. and D. HENRY, W. and E. BAXTER, WOODBERRY DUCK.

YACHTING DUCK, &c.

ENGINEER'S FITTINGS of all Kinds.

RUBBER, HEMP, COTTON, ASBESTOS PACKING.

COOKING STOVES and GALLEY RANGES.

CANVAS and other ROSE, Station and Delivery.

STOCKHOLM TAR, PITCH, and ROSIN.

IRON—LOWMOOR and STAFFORDSHIRE BOILER PLATES, ANGLE IRON, and RIVETS.

SHIPPING supplied with WATER. SAIL-MAKING, RIGGING, &c., to Order.

Hongkong, August 2, 1880.

KELLY & WALSH

HAVE just received the following NEW & IMPORTANT BOOKS.

Dr. Legge's New Work "The Religions of China," \$1.75.

Spence Hardy's "Manual of Buddhism," 2.00.

Swinhoe's "Songs of the Springtides," 2.00.

Leitch's "Sopha Painting," 2.00.

Todivais's "Merchant and Broker's Companion," 2.00.

Sheldon Amos's "Political and Legal Remedies for War," 2.00.

Edwards's "Voice Production and Voice Preservation," 1.00.

Frederick's "The Speaking Telephone and Electric Light," 2.00.

Baron Richthofen's "China," 2.00.

Dr. Martin's "Essays on the Intellectual Life of the Chinese," 2.00.

"Memoirs of Madame de Montesquieu," 2.00.

McCord's "Lessons in Mechanical Drawing," 2.00.

Hongkong, July 27, 1880.

For Sale.

WASHING BOOKS.

(In English and Chinese.)

Of Ladies and Gentlemen, are now ready at this Office. Price, \$1 each.

CHINA MAIL OFFICE.

FOR SALE.

MUNTZ PATENT YELLOW METAL SHEATHING.

ALL SIZES.

AND COMPOSITION NAILS, in Lots to Suit Purchasers.

G. R. LAMBERT,

Peddler's Wharf Buildings.

Hongkong, July 28, 1880.

To Let.

TO LET.

TWO HOUSES, Nos. 14 and 16, Stanley Street, lately in the occupation of the TEMPERANCE HALL.

TWO ROOMS in CLOS CHAMBERS.

THE BUNGALOW, No. 1, Old Bailey Street.

THE DWELLING HOUSES—Nos. 31 and 33, WELLINGTON STREET.

Apply to

DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & Co.

Hongkong, August 2, 1880.

HONGKONG WHARF & GODOWNS.

GOODS RECEIVED ON STORAGE at Moderate Rates, in FIRST-CLASS GODOWNS, under European supervision; and VESSELS Discharged alongside the Wharf, on favorable Terms, with quick despatch. Also entire Godowns to be let.

MEYER & Co.

Hongkong, August 2, 1880.

COAL GODOWNS—TO LET.

BURROWS' GODOWNS, Nos. 43, 56A and 59A, PRAYA EAST; with Private Wharf.

The GODOWNS, Nos. 111, 111A and 113, WANCHAI ROAD.

Apply to

SIEMSEN & Co.

Hongkong, June 15, 1880.

TO LET.

GROUND FLOOR of Houses Nos. 3 and 4.

Apply to

MEYER & Co.

Hongkong, April 19, 1880.

TO LET.

FOREIGN DWELLING HOUSES in the HOLLYWOOD ROAD, containing six Rooms and Out-Houses.

Nos. 3 and 9, SERRAVALLO TERRACE.

Apply to

DAVID SARCOM, SONS & Co.

Hongkong, April 7, 1880.

TO LET.

ON MARINE LOT No. 65, FIRST-CLASS GRANITE GODOWNS.

Apply to

MEYER & Co.

Hongkong, July 25, 1880.

Intimations.

NOTICE.

OFFICE OF THE SHANGHAI STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY, IN LIQUIDATION.

Shanghai, 1st July, 1880.

A THIRTIETH RETURN OF CAPITAL & ACCUMULATIONS at the Rate of TWO TAELS, (Tls. 2.00) per SHARE, will be made to Shareholders of Record on 2nd July, Payable at the Office of the Liquidators, on FRIDAY, 9th July.

Warrants will then be delivered by the Undersigned to Shareholders, or their lawful representatives, on presentation of Share Certificates for Endorsement.

The Transfer BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 2nd to the 9th July, inclusive.

By Order,

RUSSELL & Co., Liquidators.

HONGKONG, CANTON, AND MACAO STEAMBOAT COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE DIVIDEND at the Rate of 6% or \$4.50 per SHARE, Declared at the Ordinary Half-Yearly Meeting of Shareholders held THIS DAY, will be Payable at the HONGKONG and SHANGHAI BANK, on and after FRIDAY Next, the 9th Instant.

Shareholders are requested to apply to the Office of the Company for Warrants.

By Order of the Board of Directors,

P. A. DA COSTA, Secretary.

Hongkong, July 28, 1880.

MURRAY & LANMAN'S FLORIDA WATER.

CAUTION.

HAVING Learned that Large Quantities of IMITATIONS of our FLORIDA WATER have recently been imported to Hongkong, we caution the Public against purchasing any that does not bear the name "MURRAY & LANMAN" on the label.

Each Bottle of the Genuine is wrapped with a pamphlet printed on paper which has the words "LANMAN & KEMP, NEW YORK" in Water Mark.

Messrs MELOHORS & Co. are our only Agents for Sale of the Genuine Florida Water at Hongkong.

LANMAN & KEMP.

New York, July 9, 1878.

AH-TOW & Co.,

BALLANTINE & WATSON, SHANGHAI.

Hongkong & Whampoa, (the same as before); keep on hand and for sale, well assorted Oilman's Stores & Coal of all kinds.

Shipping supplies at the shortest notice with all kinds of Goods, and fresh Provisions at moderate charges.

FE9, PRAYA WEST.

館辦興成口街興永

DENTAL NOTICE.

DR. ROGERS, now on a visit to Shanghai, will return to Hongkong early in the Winter as usual.

Hongkong, April 1, 1880.

DYNAMITE, FUSES, DEFONATORS, &c.

FROM NOBEL'S EXPLOSIVES CO., LIMITED, GLASGOW, can be had in any Quantity on application to

THE BORNEO CO., LD., Agents.

Hongkong, March 8, 1880.

Shipping.

Steamers.

FOR SWATOW, AMOY & FOOCHOW.

The Steamship "Nemac,"

Capt. WESTON, will be despatched for the above Ports on WEDNESDAY, the 4th Instant

For Sale.

FOR SALE.

Prime "Young America" Cheese.
EASTERN CHEESE.

WHITAKER'S HAMS, Very Fine.
BONELESS CODFISH.
SALMON BELGIES in Kits.
MACKEREL in Kits.
Family PIG PORK.
Prime Meat BEEF.
LAMB'S TONGUES.
CRACKED WHEAT.

CORNMEAL.
COMB HONEY in Frames.
PEA NUTS.
BARCELONA NUTS.
OX TONGUES.
HOMINY.

RYE MEAL.
PECAN NUTS.
HICKORY NUTS.
POTTED MEATS.
BARTLET PEARS.

PEACHES.
do., do., do.

Ex "MENELAUS".

An Invoice of MILNER'S
PATENT FIRE PROOF SAFES
and
DEED CHESTS.

To be Sold at Manufacturers' Prices.

T. & D. HENRY'S GOVERNMENT NAVY
CANVAS, all Numbers.
FLAX SEAMING TWINE.

Ex "HOPE".
WOODBERRY'S COTTON DUCK, Nos.
1 to 10.

RAVENS DUCK, and
DRILLS.
COTTON TWINE.

Ex "RAPHAEL".
A Large Assortment of
CROCKERY and GLASSWARE.

DINNER SERVICES.
DESSERT SERVICES.
TOILET SERVICES.
BREAKFAST SERVICES.
do., do., do.

Ex "ANCHISES".
and
LATE ARRIVALS.

RUTHERFORD'S Extra All Long FLAX
CANVAS.

RUTHERFORD'S Royal Navy CANVAS.
English COLZA OIL. Do.
English COTTON WASTE.

TUCK'S Patent PACKING.
FLAX PACKING.
HORN'S Best Russian CORDAGE.

Best English Charcoal WIRE ROPE.
Galvanized IRON CHAIN, 3/16th, 1/4th
and 3/8th.

HUSKIN'S PAINTS and OILS.
TURPENTINE. Copal VARNISH.
French POLISH. Soft SOAP.

OAKLEY'S Wellington KNIFE POWDER.
Plate POWDER. Plate BRUSHES.
Billiard CHALK. Cue TIPS.
Metallic TAPE LINES.

Chubb's Patent PADLOCKS.
THE LOCKS.
Capboard LOCKS.
Box LOCKS.

FIRE GRATES.
Suspension and Bracket Patent Eatingulish-
ing KEROSENE LAMPS.

ROBERTS & SONS' CUTLERY.
Electro-plated WARE.
BUNTING and Bunting THREAD.

BUSSEY'S PATENT PNEUMATIC GUN.

Royal Bristol GINGER ALE, in Pint
Bottles.

JERRARD'S India PALE ALE, in Pint
Bottles.

CLARET-Charles THOMPSON.
Tees GRAVES, Pints and Quarts.
Chateau LAROSE.
Breakfast CHAMPAGNE.

HAUT SAUTERNE.
Sassone's White Seal SHERRY.
Do. Amontillado SHERRY.
Do. Very Fine OLD PORT.

Dringht ALE and PORTER, sold by the
Gallon.

STATIONERY.
BOOKS.
TOBACCOES, and
CIGARS.

JOHN
MOIR & SONS,
GROSS & BLACKWELL'S,
and
AMERICAN
OILMAN STORES.

SHIPCHANDLERY
of
Every Description.

SAIL-MAKING and RIGGING,
promptly executed.

MacKENN, FRICKEL & Co.
Hongkong, July 20, 1880.

Insurances.

YANGTZE INSURANCE
ASSOCIATION.

CAPITAL (Fully Paid-up).....Tls. 420,000
PERMANENT RESERVE.....Tls. 230,000
SPECIAL RESERVE FUND.....Tls. 263,238

TOTAL CAPITAL and AC-
CUMULATIONS, 8th
April, 1880.....Tls. 913,238

Directors.
F. B. FORBES, Esq., Chairman.
W. M. BOYD, Esq. (WM. MEYER, Esq.)
J. H. PINCKVOSS, Esq. (F. D. HITCH, Esq.)

HEAD OFFICE—SHANGHAI.
Messrs RUSSELL & Co., Secretaries.

LONDON BRANCH:
Messrs BARING BROTHERS & Co.,
Bankers.

RICHARD BLACKWELL, Esq., Agent,
68 and 69, Cornhill.

Policies granted on Marine Risks to all
parts of the World. Subject to a charge of 12 1/2 per cent. for Interest
on Shareholders' Capital, all the PROFITS
of the UNDERWRITING BUSINESS are an-
nually distributed among all Contributors
of Business in proportion to the Premiums
paid by them.

RUSSELL & Co.,
Agents.
Hongkong, May 11, 1880.

NORTH BRITISH & MERCANTILE
INSURANCE COMPANY.

Incorporated by Royal Charter and
Special Acts of Parliament.

ESTABLISHED 1809.
CAPITAL £2,000,000.

THE Underwritten, AGENTS at Hongkong
for the above Company, are prepared to
grant Policies against FIRE, to the
extent of £100,000 on any Building, or
on Merchandise in the same, at the
usual Rates, subject to a discount of 20
per cent.

GILMAN & Co.,
Agents.
Hongkong, July 6, 1875.

QUEEN FIRE INSURANCE
COMPANY.

THE Underwritten are prepared to grant
Policies against FIRE to the extent of
£45,000 on Buildings, or on Goods stored
therein, at current local rates, subject to a
Discount of 20 per cent. on the Premium.

NORTON & Co.,
Agents.
Hongkong, January 1, 1874.

THE LONDON ASSURANCE.
INCORPORATED BY ROYAL CHARTER
of
His Majesty King George The First,
A. D. 1720.

THE Underwritten have been appointed
preparatory to grant Insurances as follows:

Marine Department.
Policies at current rates payable either
here, in London or at the principal Ports
of India, China and Australia.

Fire Department.
Policies issued for long or short periods at
current rates. A discount of 20 per cent. allowed.

Life Department.
Policies issued for sums not exceeding
£5,000 at reduced rates.

HOLLIDAY, WISE & Co.
Hongkong, July 25, 1872.

ROYAL INSURANCE COMPANY.
THE Underwritten, Agents for the above
Company, are prepared to grant In-
surances at current rates.

MELOHERS & Co.,
Agents, Royal Insurance Company.
Hongkong, October 27, 1874.

LANCASHIRE INSURANCE
COMPANY.

(FIRE AND LIFE.)
CAPITAL—TWO MILLIONS STERLING.

THE Underwritten are prepared to grant
Policies against the Risk of FIRE on
Buildings or on Goods stored therein, on
Goods on board Vessels and on Hulls of
Vessels in Harbour, at the usual Terms
and Conditions.

Proposals for Life Assurances will be re-
ceived, and transmitted to the Directors
for their decision.

If required, protection will be granted on
first class Lives up to £1000 on a Single
Life.

For Rates of Premiums, forms of pro-
posals or any other information, apply to
ARNOLD, KARBURG & Co.,
Agents, Hongkong & Canton.

Hongkong, January 4, 1867.

MANCHESTER FIRE ASSURANCE
COMPANY OF
MANCHESTER AND LONDON.

ESTABLISHED 1824.
Capital of the Company £1,000,000 Sterling
of which is paid up £ 100,000
Reserve Fund upwards of £ 120,000
Annual Income £ 250,000

THE Underwritten have been appointed
Agents for the above Company at
Hongkong, Canton, Foochow, Shanghai,
and Hankow, and are prepared to grant
Insurances at current rates.

HOLLIDAY, WISE & Co.
Hongkong, October 15, 1863.

THE CHINA FIRE INSURANCE
COMPANY, LIMITED.

HEAD OFFICE—HONGKONG.
AGENTS at all the Treaty Ports of
China and Japan, and at Singapore,
Siam and Penang.
Risks accepted, and Policies of Insurance
granted at the rates of Premium current at
the above mentioned Ports.

NO CHARGE FOR POLICY FEES.
JAS. B. COUGHTRIE,
Secretary.
Hongkong, November 1, 1871.

Mails.

MITSUI BISHI MAIL STEAMSHIP
COMPANY.

STEAM TO YOKOHAMA VIA KOBE
AND INLAND SEA.

THE S. S. SUMIDA MARU, Captain
HOBART, due here on or about the
2nd August, will be despatched as above
on SATURDAY, the 7th August, at Day-
light.

Cargo received on board and Parcels at
the Office up to 6 p.m. of 6th August.
No Bill of Lading signed under \$2
Freight.

All Claims must be settled on board
before delivery is taken, otherwise they
will not be recognized.

RATES OF PASSAGE.
To KOBE—Cabin \$60. Steerage \$15.
YOKOHAMA—Do. \$75. Do. 20.
A REDUCTION is made on RETURN CABIN
PASSENGERS.

CARGO and PASSENGERS for Nagasaki
will be transhipped to the Shanghai Mail
Steamer at Kobe.
For further Particulars, apply at the
Company's Office, No. 604, QUEEN'S
ROAD CENTRAL.

Hongkong, July 26, 1880.

STEAM FOR
SINGAPORE, PENANG, POINT DE
GALLE, ADEN, SUEZ, MALTA,
BRINDISI, ANCONA, VENICE, MEDI-
TERRANEAN PORTS, SOUTH-
AMPTON, AND LONDON;

ALSO,
BOMBAY, MADRAS, CALCUTTA, AND
AUSTRALIA.

THE PENINSULAR AND ORIENTAL STEAM
NAVIGATION COMPANY'S Steamship
PEKIN, Captain ROBERT, will leave this
on MONDAY, the 9th August, at 5 p.m.

For further Particulars, apply to
A. MEYER, Superintendent,
Hongkong, July 27, 1880.

U. S. MAIL LINE.
PACIFIC MAIL STEAMSHIP
COMPANY.

THROUGH TO NEW YORK, VIA
VERLAND RAILWAYS, AND TOUCHING
AT YOKOHAMA, AND SAN FRANCISCO.

THE U. S. Mail Steamship CITY OF
TOKIO will be despatched for San
Francisco, via Yokohama, on WEDNESDAY,
the 12th August, at 5 p.m. for Japan, the
United States, and Europe.

Through bills of Lading issued for trans-
portation to Yokohama and other Japan
Ports, to San Francisco, to Atlantic and
Inland Cities of the United States via Over-
land Railways, to Havana, Trinidad, and
Demerara, and to ports in Mexico, Central
and South America by the Company's and
connecting Steamers.

Through Passage Tickets granted to
England, France, and Germany by all
trans-Atlantic lines of Steamers.

Freight will be received on board until 2
p.m., the 10th August. Parcel Packages
will be received at the office until 5 p.m.
same day; all Parcel Packages should be
marked to address in full; value of same
is required.

Consular Invoices to accompany Overland
Cargo should be sent to the Company's
Office in Sealed Envelopes, addressed to the
Collector of Customs at San Francisco.
For further information as to Passage
and Freight, apply to the Agency of the
Company, No. 9, Praya Central.

RUSSELL & Co., Agents.
Hongkong, July 26, 1880.

Notices to Consignees.

NETHERLANDS INDIA STEAM
NAVIGATION COMPANY.

FROM BATAVIA, SAMARANG, SOU-
RABAYA, MACASSAR, GORONTALO
AND MANILA.

THE Steamship Aitch having arrived
from the above ports, the Company's
Cargo is hereby requested to send in their
Bills of Lading to the Underwritten for
counter-signature, and to take immediate
delivery of their Goods.

Cargo impeding the discharge will be at
once landed and stored at Consignees' risk
and expense.

JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.
Agents.
Hongkong, July 31, 1880.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.
AMERICAN SHIP "ROSIE WELT,"
FROM ANTWERP.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo by the above-
named Vessel are requested to send in their
Bills of Lading to the Underwritten for
counter-signature, and to take immediate
delivery of their Goods.

Cargo impeding the discharge of the
Vessel will be landed and stored at Con-
signees' risk and expense.

ARNOLD, KARBURG & Co.,
Agents.
Hongkong, July 26, 1880.

To-day's Advertisements.

OCEAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY.
FOR LONDON VIA SUEZ CANAL.

The Co's Steamship
"Frim,"
Captain S. H. BUTLER,
will be despatched on
or about the 20th instant.

For Freight or Passage, apply to
BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,
Agents.
Hongkong, August 3, 1880.

To-day's Advertisements.

NOTICE.
COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES
MARITIMES.
PAQUEBOT POSTE FRANCAIS.

The Co's Steamship
"Volga,"
Commandant GUTRAND,
will be despatched for
YOKOHAMA on WEDNESDAY, the 4th
Inst., at 5 p.m.

G. DE CHAMPEAUX,
Agent.
Hongkong, August 3, 1880.

NOTICE.
COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES
MARITIMES.
PAQUEBOT POSTE FRANCAIS.

The Co's Steamship
"Orus,"
Commandant RAPATTEL,
will be despatched for
YOKOHAMA on THURSDAY, the 5th
Inst., at Daylight.

G. DE CHAMPEAUX,
Agent.
Hongkong, August 3, 1880.

FOR MANILA.
The Steamship
"Diamante,"
Captain OULIER, will be
despatched for the above
Port on THURSDAY, the 5th Inst., at
Noon, instead of as previously notified.

For Freight or Passage, apply to
RUSSELL & Co.,
Agents.
Hongkong, August 3, 1880.

FOR LONDON VIA SUEZ CANAL.
(Taking Cargo at through rates for NEW
YORK and HAMBURG.)

The Steamship
"Glenlogie,"
Captain E. NORMAN, will be
despatched as above
on or about the 16th instant.

For Freight or Passage, apply to
JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.
Hongkong, August 3, 1880.

STEAMSHIP "OXUS."
COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES
MARITIMES.

NOTICE.
CONSIGNEES of Cargo per Steamship
"Indra" from London, in con-
nection with the above Steamer, are hereby
informed that their Goods are being
landed and stored at their risk at the Com-
pany's Godowns, whence delivery may be
obtained immediately after landing.

Optional Cargo will be forwarded on
unless intimation is received from the Con-
signees, before 9 a.m. To-morrow, request-
ing it to be landed here.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by
the Underwritten.

Goods remaining unclaimed after Tues-
day, the 10th Inst., at Noon, will be sub-
ject to rent and landing charges.

G. DE CHAMPEAUX,
Agent.
Hongkong, August 3, 1880.

NOTICE.
COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES
MARITIMES.
PAQUEBOTS POSTE FRANCAIS.

STEAM FOR
LONDON, SINGAPORE, BATAVIA,
POINT DE GALLE,
ADEN, SUEZ, ISMAILIA, PORT
SAID, NAPLES, AND
MARSILLES;

ALSO,
PONDICHERRY, MADRAS, CALCUTTA
AND ALL INDIAN PORTS.

ON MONDAY, the 16th day of August,
1880, at Noon, the Company's
S. S. AMAZON, Commandant LOMIER,
with MAILS, PASSENGERS, SPEAK-
ING and CARGO, will leave this Port for the
above places.

Cargo and Goods will be registered for
London as well as for Marseilles, and ac-
cepted in transit through Marseilles for the
principal places of Europe.

Shipping Orders will be granted until
Noon.

Cargo will be received on board until 4
p.m. Specks and Parcels until 3 p.m. on
the 16th of August, 1880. (Parcels are not
to be sent on board; they must be left
at the Agency's Office.)

Contents and value of Packages are re-
quired.

For further particulars, apply at the
Company's Office.

G. DE CHAMPEAUX,
Agent.
Hongkong, August 3, 1880.

Not Responsible for Debts.
Neither the Captain, the Agents, nor
Owners will be Responsible for
any Debt contracted by the Officers or
Crew of the following Vessels, during
their stay in Hongkong Harbour:

CHILDEMAN, British ship, Capt. Beadle.
Wielor & Co.
CLIFTON, British barque, Capt. Davies.
Rozario & Co.

GENERAL FA'ROH, American barque,
Capt. David Kelly—Melchers & Co.
VALLEY FORCE, American ship, Captain
Uriel Doane—Captain.

BRENN MARION, British barque, Captain
Roberts—P. & O. S. N. Co.
ARGO, British barque, Captain William
Wright—do.

ROSIE WELT, American ship, Capt. O. O.
Walt—Arnold, Karberg & Co.
HERMAN LEMOKUHL, Norwegian ship,
Capt. S. Troya—Douglas Lepark & Co.

ARZEA, British barque, Captain George
Robb—Order.

JOHN B. STANHOPE, American barque,
Capt. H. G. Pillsbury—Order.

ANNIE S. HALL, American barkentine,
Capt. Chas. H. Nelson—Wielor & Co.
LULU, British 3 m. schr., Capt. James
Maher—Order.

CHARLES TOWNSEND HOOD, Brit. steamer,
Capt. W. H. Bradley—Edward Schellhaus
& Co.

SHIPPING.

ARRIVALS.
Aug. 3, Ozu, French steamer, 3770,
Rapatal, Marseilles July 28, Naples 30,
P. et Said July 4, Suez 5, Aden 11, Gallo
19, Singapore 26, and Saigon 30, Mails and
General.—MESSAGERIES MARITIMES.

DEPARTURES.
Aug. 3, Fokien, for Amoy, &c.
3, Aitch, for Amoy.
3, Eleana, for Manila.
3, Amoy, for Shanghai.
3, Peng chut-hai, Chinese gunboat,
for Cheongchow.

CLEARED.
Agent, for Holo.
Nanua, for Coast Ports.
Valley Forge, for Manila.

PASSENGERS.
ARRIVED.
Per Ozu, for Hongkong: from Singapore,
Messrs Cheong Hing, Hop Hing, Sing Wah,
Sia Kee, and 7 Chinese; from Saigon,
Messrs Houjant and Joseph, Miss P.
Michean, and 43 Chinese.—For Yokohama:
from Naples, Mr. George Liebiester; from
Singapore, Mr. Kucman.

DEPARTED.
Per Fokien, for Amoy, &c., 50 Chinese.
Per Amoy, for Shanghai, 9 Chinese.

To DEPART.
Per Nanua, for Coast Ports, 3 Euro-
peans, and 300 Chinese.

SHIPPING REPORTS.
None.

CARGO.
Per S. S. Hienan, sailed 2nd August:—
For Continent, 3,184 bales Silk, 118 bales
Waste Silk, 22 cases Silks, 320 bales Co-
coons, 2,131 chests, 335 boxes, 771 chests and
1,869 pkgs. Tea, and 370 pkgs. San-
dries. For London, 1,627 bales Silk, 1
bale Waste Silk, 187 boxes, 8,260 chests,
1,860 chests and 1,187 pkgs. Tea, 4 cases
Silks, 1 case Treasure (\$2,700), and 14
pkgs. Sundries.

POST OFFICE NOTICES.
MAILS will close:—
For SWATOW, AMOY, & FOOSHOW.—
Per Nanua, at 11.30 a.m. To-morrow,
the 4th inst., instead of as previously
notified.

For FORT DARWIN, ADELAIDE, MEL-
BOURNE, SYDNEY, &c.—
Per Thalys, at 3 p.m. To-morrow, the
4th inst., instead of as previously
notified.

For HOIHOW, FAKHOL, and HAI-
PHONG.—
Per Hainan, at 4.30 p.m. To-morrow,
the 4th inst.

For CONQUEST, at 5 p.m. To-morrow, the
4th inst.

For YOKOHAMA.—
Per S. S. Volga, To-morrow, the 4th
inst. Registry closes at 4.15 p.m.
Mail closes at 5 p.m. Late Cor-
respondence may then be posted in the
movable box on board the Packet.

For SHANGHAI.—
Per Thalys, at 4.45 p.m. Registry closes at 4.45 p.m.
Mail closes at 5 p.m. Late Cor-
respondence may then be posted in the
movable box on board the Packet.

For MANILA.—
Per Diamante, at 11.30 a.m., on Thurs-
day, the 5th inst.

For SAIGON.—
Per Quind, at 5 p.m., on Wednesday,
the 4th inst., instead of as previously
notified.

For BANGKOK.—
Per Danube, at 5 p.m., on Thursday, the
5th inst.

For STRAITS SETTLEMENTS AND
BOMBAY.—
Per Gelong, at 8.30 p.m., on Friday, the
5th inst., instead of as previously
notified.

For JAPAN via KOBE.—
Per Sumida Maru, at 5 p.m., on Friday,
the 6th August.

For NAGASAKI and YOKOHAMA.—
Per Malacca, at 11.30 a.m., on Tuesday,
the 10th August.

MAILS BY THE TORRES STRAITS PACKET.—
The Australian Contract Packet Brisbane, will
be despatched from Hongkong, with
Mails for Singapore, Thursday Island,
Cockatoo, Brisbane Bay, Bowen,
Kempsey, Brisbane, Sydney, Tas-
mania, New Zealand, Fiji, and Mel-
bourne.

coming from a high quarter, to the effect that the *Bomen* case was made too much of, that the poor innocent "lamb" have been hardly treated all throughout, and that the feeling which has been engendered concerning this case was the "outcome of that lamentable prejudice of the European colonists against the Chinese as a race or a class here which is so unhappy and so prominent an element in the constitution of this Colony, a prejudice, too, which has been largely at times raised but particularly in this case fostered and encouraged by the *China Mail* newspaper, and its leading or editorial articles and in its reports of public affairs." Those who know Mr. Francis will understand that attention is to be given to any mean hidden suggestion that in his magisterial capacity he might, could, would, or should have been influenced by such an opinion, whoever it came from and however carefully it may have been pronounced as if with a view to mislead him away from that standpoint from which alone the points of the case could be properly surveyed. We should ourselves be slow indeed to give such a suggestion the slightest regard; but we must say that we are surprised and disappointed in the extreme at the course Mr. Francis has adopted in dealing with the twenty-six scoundrels he had before him yesterday. He has not shown, we believe, that regard for public safety, that appreciation of the high duty and privilege of a Magistrate, to be a terror to evil-doers, that might have been expected from a man occupying the responsible position he holds now for a time; and he has also evinced, as we read it, a disregard for the Law on the subject, (we will not say an ignorance of it) which somewhat astounds us. The facts of the case are still fresh in the minds of our readers; it is not necessary to recapitulate them here in their entirety. We shall forgo the full narrative form and shall give only those of them necessary to our argument, that is those which alone ought to have been sufficient ground for any Magistrate recommending to the Governor the deportation of these men for a term of five years, in default of their finding security to appear to answer any charge to be made against them in respect of their recent remarkably suspicious proceedings. We make bold to say that there is not one Magistrate here who has held a sent upon the Magistrate Bench here for many years past, save Mr. Francis, who would have taken upon himself the responsibility of allowing these men to leave the Court and go forth free, "there being not a tittle of evidence against them," as he said, "without a stain on their character" as it were, to work again their nefarious schemes in and about the waters of this Colony and the South-China Seas. Let us recall to mind the facts as they were before the Court. While the *Bomen* was on her way from Singapore to this port, certain conversation between some of the passengers was overheard by a man on board who reported it to the Magistrate, which conversation was not compatible or consistent with any other state of facts than that a large number of the passengers from Singapore were pirates, prepared with arms and every thing required for such a desperate undertaking, to practically seize the ship. The Singapore passengers were put under scrutiny with that utmost care which alone the extreme peril of the situation could inspire; and twenty-six of them were found unprepared to give the slightest account of themselves; they had no baggage, they said; there were not 25 cents amongst the 26 of them. Diligent search being made there were found on board, concealed about those parts of the ship which these men had occupied, boxes with eleven loaded revolvers, a large quantity of ammunition, a quantity of evidence, several formidable fighting irons, and 25 packages of powder with a fuse attached to each, each package weighing one pound. The men who were unable to give any account of themselves were then placed under arrest and were brought on here. They, every one of them, from the first moment of their being questioned to the last, maintained that inviolable silence, which is so discreet a course, which is so powerful a part of the equipment of a thorough blackguard when he is on his defence. The evidence of the comrade of Messrs. Gibb, Livingston & Co., who was warned by a man in the street that the *Bomen* was to be attacked; the evidence of some suspicious junks with a peculiar signal flag being observed Hongkong when the steamer *Bomen* was expected to arrive, might go for much in the minds of the public but for little in the mind of the Magistrate. These facts were, however, before his Worship, on the testimony of Inspector Lindsay, that two of the prisoners were old criminals. One of them was concerned in an armed attack in Kowloon City for which he was arrested in December 1870. The other man's photograph stands in the case in the Changroom as one who has been deported from this Colony for some transgression of the law. When the expected attack on the *Kwangtung* was croaking attention here, one of these men was about, and the police was on his track. In face of all these facts the men are discharged, "with not the slightest stain upon their character." The proceeding is so disappointing that one can hardly believe in such a thing happening within a Colony where British Law rules, and a desire for British Justice is supposed to find an abiding place.

Let us consider for a moment what the Magistrate had in his power to do, and what it was therefore in our opinion simply his duty to do. By section 21 of Ordinance No. 8 of 1868, (an ordinance for the regulation of the Chinese people) and for other purposes of police) it is provided that "any Stipendiary Magistrate or Justice of the Peace may cause any Chinese person to find reasonable security for his appearance in any Court for any purpose, and at any time within twelve months, and

every adjudication to that effect shall be made in open Court and reported forthwith to His Excellency; and such Chinese not finding such security shall be deemed a person dangerous to the peace of the Colony within the meaning of Ordinance No. 9 of 1857." The Ordinance of the previous year referred to in the above runs to the effect that "His Excellency in Council may by order under his hand, prohibit any person not being a natural-born or naturalized subject of Her Majesty from residing or being within this Colony during any space of time not exceeding five years," and by Section 11 of No. 4 of 1871, ("an ordinance to amend the Law relating to persons dangerous to the peace and good order of the Colony") it is further provided that His Excellency in Council, "may by the same or any subsequent order under his hand fix the time for the departure of such person from the Colony." The section following that quoted above provides, as a penalty for disobedience to or violation of order of banishment, which is that he shall be adjudged "guilty of a misdemeanour and upon conviction thereof before the Supreme Court shall be liable to imprisonment with or without hard labour for any period not exceeding one year." The Magistrate by the same section being given power to deal summarily with the case in all cases where the prisoner shall plead guilty to such charge, instead of committing the prisoner for trial at the Supreme Court. Taking the whole facts as we have them before us, and as the Court had them before it, we say of ourselves, and the community generally believes independently of us, that the case was one in which the Law should have been carried out in its entirety and with the utmost severity. As it is, the prosecution has proved a miserable *fiasco*; a decision has been given, as we believe, contrary to law and contrary to justice; and it is one that must do grievous harm, encouraging the lawless marauders to higher flights and bolder and more bloody schemes, and destroying utterly the confidence of traders and passengers in these seas, which was just coming to be established.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

The next *English Mail* may be expected here on Thursday or Friday next, by the P. & O. steamer *Rohilla*. She will bring on London advices to the 2nd July.

The next *American Mail* may be expected here on or about the 14th inst., per O. & C. steamer *Belgie*.

The delivery of the French Mail was begun at 4.55 this evening.

During the Supreme Court Vacation (months of August and September) the Office of the Supreme Court will be open from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m.

There was no steamer for Macao to-day, the Company's *White Cloud* having had to remain in port 24 hours for sailing under the Merchant Shipping Consolidation Ordinance.

The M. M. Co.'s steamship *Ozus*, Captain G. Rapatel, from Marseilles with dates to the 27th ultimo, and with the London Mail of the 25th June, arrived this afternoon her Singapore date being the 26th ulto. The *Straits Times* Extra brings no new telegrams worth producing which have not already been published here.

The following Account, duly certified, of the Average Amount of Bank Notes in Circulation in Hongkong during the Month ending 30th June, 1880, is published in the *Gazette*.

Currency	Average	Specie in Circulation
Bank of China, Ltd.	701,722	340,000
Char. M. & L., Ltd.	587,321	200,000
Char. of L., A. & C.	6,475	200,000
R. & S. Shanghai	1,421,251	600,000
Total	1,916,769	1,340,000

HONGKONG seems to be developing a notoriety as a suitable depot for extraordinary importations, as witness the Rhinoceros whose bulky form now fills a large space in the City Hall, not far from the devil fish of more recent celebrity, and other recent events. To-day we have the announcement of two elephants brought up on "ape" from Siam. They are described as good and hard working animals, "who know many tricks." The male is 1 metre, 80 centimetres high; the female 1 metre, 80 centimetres high. They are now on view.

The Messageries Maritimes steamer *Ozus* with London dates of 26th June, arrived in harbour this afternoon, overdue from Marseilles one day, and from Saigon, her last port of call, two days. The *Ozus* has experienced dirty weather to an extreme, although there was nothing like a typhoon or anything of that kind. After leaving Saigon the rain-storms she met with were such as to cause the vessel to cast anchor for about twenty-four hours, the weather being so thick; it is reported, as to prevent any bearings being taken. By careful navigation and a wise discretion exercised the ship has been brought safely to her destination without any mishap.

An adjourned inquest was held this afternoon at the Magistrate's, to enquire into the cause of death of a Malay fireman on board the steamer *Alcorno*, on the 20th ultimo. Two more witnesses were examined, but their evidence only went to show that deceased had been engaged doing some part of the machinery, that the lid of his oil-can had fallen, and he had gone down below presumably by the opening where the crank worked to find the missing lid, and he was next found lying on the floor of the engine room with the crank pressing on his body. His Worship the Coroner having pointed out to the jury, that there was no evidence

forthcoming to show how the deceased came to be under that part of the machinery, and that there was nothing to show that any one had contributed in any way to his death, the jury returned a unanimous verdict of "accidental death."

The case of a man named Williams who was yesterday sentenced to twelve months' imprisonment by Mr. Francis has created some comment. There appears to be an idea abroad that the Acting Police Magistrate exceeded his power, and that six months' hard labour is the utmost sentence one Magistrate can give. There is not a vestige of foundation for such a belief. The clause in the Ordinance is as clear on the point as possible. Section 41 of Ordinance No. 4 of 1865 is as follows:—

"Whoever shall be convicted upon information for a common assault shall be liable, at the discretion of the court, or of a Police-Magistrate, to be imprisoned for any term not exceeding one year, with or without hard labour."

We are not aware whether the facts or any of them, which we now refer to, were or were not within the Magistrate's knowledge, but they seem to us to carry the prisoner entirely outside the pale of pity and to justify to a very great degree the sentence passed which might have struck a cursory reader as somewhat severe. The man now sentenced, Williams, is a bully and a loose fellow, who was arrested on the 21st inst. by the Police, and was committed to the Gaol for three months in the Gaol here. He applied for lodgings in the Gaol as a Detainee. The Superintendent of the Gaol reported that the man's behaviour while in the Gaol had been of the worst possible description; if the man was a detestable American scoundrel, as he represented himself to be, he should be referred to the Consul for the United States; as the Superintendent of the Gaol did not want to have such a disorderly person as this man within the walls of his establishment, he referred him to the Consul. The next we hear of Williams is that he was turned out of the consulate and sent to the Gaol. Of such bright specimens of humanity are those who respectively brought and supported the charge against Col. Mealy, the other day. Latterly we hear of some unpromising assaults by this bully, one on a civilian who was knocked down and does not appear in the case, the other on one of the Military Police who gave him a severe beating. He was sentenced to three months' hard labour, but we think not too severely sentenced. The peace loving community, those who have respect for law and order, will be the last to complain of any disrespectful bully, whatever his nation, being handled by the Court with the utmost severity. The case of the elephant and the blackguards not to be scared by a month in gaol.

It will be seen from the papers to hand by the present French Mail that in the House of Lords, the question of the alleged Domestic Slavery having been brought forward by the Lord Stanley of Alderley, the Earl of Kimberley stated that until he received the grounds on which the Chief Justice of Hongkong had given an extraordinary opinion that the purchase of children for adoption was not a crime, he could not state what course Government would adopt in the matter.

In Colonel Britten's Court yesterday, July 9th, when one Shakh Hussein Bunderah was being cross-examined by Mr. Cassinath Oagdhil, the following was elicited:—
Mr. Cassinath:—You know me very well.
Witness:—Yes, I was engaged to defend me in the Sessions Court, and because you did not attend, I got three years' (laughter).
Mr. Cassinath:—What was the charge against you?
Witness:—Because I kidnapped a girl, a minor—and 14 years' (Stand down).—*Deccan Herald*, July 10.

FOURTEEN captains of transatlantic steamers have been brought up before the Courts in the United States for carrying more emigrants than the American law allows. The law provides that a vessel measuring so many cubic feet between decks may carry so many passengers and not another one. The accused captains reply that the law is different in the countries from which they came, and they threaten to appeal to their Governments. Hence arises a conflict of international jurisdiction which the Cabinet at Washington proposes to avoid for the future, by asking that a Maritime Congress shall be convened for the settlement of uniform conditions to be observed by all vessels, whatever their nationality may be, as regards the number of emigrants and their treatment on board with respect to food, ventilation, separation of the sexes, etc. The public spirit of the United States is to be commended, owing to the many deaths that have occurred upon the passage, particularly among children, upon the German and English steamers.

From the latest file to hand to-day we out an item or two which may be read in connection with the recent telegram of the annihilation of a British Brigade at Kandahar.

Kandahar, July 7.—There is no longer any doubt about Ayub Khan having left Herat with all his forces; and though it seems doubtful whether he will be able to go as far as Kandahar territory, a force has been warned for Ghorbakh to oppose him. I believe it will consist of a battery of Horse Artillery, 8th Cavalry, 2nd Sind Horse, 60th Foot, 1st Grenadiers, and Jacob's Rifles, under the command of Brigadier-General Barrow.

The *Candahar News* of July 2, says:—For several days, there has been a report in the city that Ayub Khan, who is supposed to have left Herat on the 9th of June, had arrived at Farah with a large force some days ago. This we treated as one of the many rumours flying about the camp and city, but the report has now been confirmed; and although the strength of the troops with Ayub has been much exaggerated, and is not yet correctly ascertained, he is supposed to have 4,000 infantry, 900 cavalry, and 30 guns, and to have advanced on this side of Farah. What Ayub's intentions remain to be seen, but the following account of General Barrow's views is in the direction of Ghorbakh at a moment's notice:—E. B. R. H. A. 3rd Light Cavalry, and 3rd Sind Horse, under the command of General Nutt; 6 Companies, 60th Foot, 1st Grenadiers, Jacob's Rifles, and 40 Sepoys—the whole under the command of General Barrow.

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LAW NOTICES.

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF HONGKONG.
(Before the Hon. Francis Snowden and Special Judge.)—Hearings.

Wednesday, Aug. 4.
ORIGINAL JURISDICTION.—Suit No. 10, Kwan Hoi Chune and on. v. Fong Sai Fung and on.

CORRESPONDENCE.

WHAT NEXT?
To the Editor of the "China Mail."
August 3rd.

SIR.—The undersigned is prepared to present a piece of plate to any one (other than an officer of the Government Botanical Garden Department) who can give the best answer to the question as to "Why our respected Governor was pleased to have the professional report of the Superintendent of the Public Gardens about his Department published in the last number of the Government Gazette, some nine months and a half after it was written by the late assistant of Sir Joseph Hooker."

As H. E. has an object in every thing he does, what is his object in the present case?

WHO'S TO PAY?

To the Editor of the "China Mail."
August 3, 1880.
SIR.—The creditors at Home and elsewhere who have been so largely affected by the failure of Lysal, Still & Co., and the subsequent dishonesty of an officer of the Hongkong Government, must surely feel much for the man who has been so grossly wronged, that Sir John Smead takes upon himself the entire responsibility of the Court, as all officers of the Department are simply to do his bidding. If further litigation now follows, the learned Chief Justice may decide that he has made an unfortunate admission. The Hongkong Government are, in my opinion, bound in honour to replace the money stolen by the Court official, and I believe that not a single voice will be raised against such action being taken. Why not, therefore, do so at once? The Governor would thus do more for British honour and fair dealing than he could accomplish by five years of administration upon the usual official lines.

SUPREME COURT.

IN SUMMARY JURISDICTION.
(Before His Honor the Puisne Judge, F. Snowden.)
Tuesday, August 3.

Chan Cheung v. Alabor, \$5.—This was a claim for wages as house boy, from the 10th till the 30th July, at \$5 per month. Plaintiff in his statement set forth that his master discharged him on account of some misrepresentation made to him by a Portuguese woman who lives in a street nearly opposite the Commercial Establishment, and he declined to pay him a cent of wages.

The defendant said, the boy was so frequently absent from his duty, and was also disobedient that he discharged him. Defendant frequently came home and beat the boy, and he was discharged on the 10th inst. The following French mail was despatched from Sen, per Messageries Maritimes steamer *Peiho*, on the 22nd inst. two days in advance of due date.

(Overland Mail, June 25.)
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